

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v.

INITIAL APPEARANCE/ARRAIGNMENT
AND PLEA MINUTES

SHELTON K. THORNTON

CASE NUMBER 25-CR-8

HONORABLE NANCY JOSEPH, presiding
Deputy Clerk: Ross M.
Hearing Held: May 5, 2025 at 3:00 p.m.

Court Reporter: Liberty
Hearing Began: 3:12 p.m.
Hearing Ended: 3:26 p.m.

Appearances:

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA by: Katherine Halopka-Ivery
Shelton K. Thornton, in person, and by: John Bradley, William Grau
U.S. PROBATION OFFICE by: Joseph Werner
INTERPRETER: None Sworn

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Original Indictment Superseding Indictment Information Misdemeanor Felony

Speedy Trial Date: July 14, 2025
Final Pretrial Conf.: TO BET SET
Jury Trial Date: TO BE SET
Trial Length Estimate: 2 weeks

District Judge: J P Stadtmueller
Bond Judge: Nancy Joseph
Magistrate Judge: Stephen Dries
Motions Due: July 14, 2025
Responses Due: July 28, 2025
Replies Due: August 6, 2025

Defendant consents to proceed via video
 Defendant advised of rights
 Court orders counsel appointed
 Defendant advised of charges, penalties, and fines
 Copy of indictment received by defendant
 Indictment read defendant waives reading
 Not guilty plea entered by: defendant the court
 Expanded discovery policy applies (See Order below)
 Discovery available: already turned over

Government to disclose grand jury materials
 one day prior to trial
 Oral Motion for Complex Designation
 Granted Denied
 Referred to Stephen Dries
 Case designated complex
 Counsel Only Scheduling Conference:
 before Magistrate Judge Stephen Dries

Maximum Penalties:

Count 1 – INC: 20 years; FINE: \$1,000,000; SR: mandatory minimum 3 years-life; SA: \$100; Forfeiture Notice.

Bond Status:

Defendant is released on: O/R bond See Order Setting Conditions of Release

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that as required by Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 5(f), the court **ORDERS** that the government must produce all exculpatory information to the defendant(s) as required by *Brady v. Maryland*, 373 U.S. 83 (1963) and its progeny. Failure to comply with this order in a timely manner may result in sanctions, including exclusion of evidence, adverse jury instructions, dismissal of charges and contempt proceedings